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FINAL AGENDA

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

DATE: **April 11, 2001**
LOCATION: Olympia, Washington

The April 11, 2001 Washington State Board of Health meeting in Olympia has been ***cancelled***. The next meeting will be held in Tacoma on May 9, 2001. The final agenda for May 9, 2001 meeting will be distributed on Wednesday, May 2, 2001.

If you have any questions, please contact the Board office at (360) 236-4110. Thank you.

FYI

As of: March, 2001

Addressed to Board

Correspondence from the Board

Letter to the House Health Care Committee Regarding House Bill

Source: Washington State Board of Health, March 2001

SSB 6020 – An Act Relating to Access to Dental Care

For more information, contact Heather Boe, Washington State Board of Health, at (360) 236-4104 or by email at heather.boe@doh.wa.gov.

Letter to Representative Carolyn Edmonds Regarding Food Safety in Adult Family Homes

Source: Washington State Board of Health, March 2001

For more information, contact Heather Boe, Washington State Board of Health, at (360) 236-4104 or by email at heather.boe@doh.wa.gov.

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General Interest

Franklin County Resolution No. 2001-147

Source: Franklin County Board of Commissioners, March 26, 2001

Proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

For more information, contact the Franklin County Board of Commissioners Office at (509) 545-3535.

2001 Tobacco, Alcohol, and Other Drug Abuse Trends in Washington State

Source: Department of Social and Health Services, March 12, 2001

For more information contact David Albert, Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse at (360) 407-0822.

A copy of the report can be ordered by calling (800) 662-9111.

Get the “B” Attitude – Preventing NTDs

Source: March of Dimes, March, 2001

For more information, call (800) 291-DIME or see their website at www.modimes.org

Letter to the Board of Health Regarding The Lifelong AIDS Alliance

Source: Lifelong AIDS Alliance, March, 2001

A New Agency for a New Era of AIDS

For more information, please call (206) 328-8979 or see their website at www.lifelongaidsalliance.org

Crossing the Quality Chasm: A New Health System for the 21st Century

Source: Committee on Quality of Health Care in America, Institute of Medicine, 2000

For more information, see NAP's website at www.nap.edu/openbook/0309072808/html/1.html.

Newsletters and Periodicals

Advances: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Quarterly Newsletter

Source: The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, 2001

In this Issue:

Covering Kids Communications Campaign Uncovers Misconceptions and Boosts Inquiries; New RWJF Web Site Now Online; From Research to Action; Profile – Sharyn Sutton, PhD; Immunizations: Through the Eyes of Parents; Immunization Registers Could Save Costs; Controlling Alcohol Use: Support for Policy is High But Legislative Follow-Through Often is Lacking; Race, Insurance Affect Treatment and Mortality in Colorectal Cancer; Valued Life Activities Guide End-of Life Decisions in the Elderly; Indemnity Insurance: Disappearing by Choice; States and Merchants Freely Violate Laws Prohibiting Sale of Tobacco to Minors; Pittsburgh Initiative Seeks Elimination of Medical Errors; How One State is Looking into the Future of Long-Term Care; Selected Grants; New Grant Results Reports Posted on RWJF Web Site; People.

For more information, contact advances@rwjf.org.

Disease Management Advisor

Source: National Health Information, LLC, March 2001

In this Issue:

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Boost Cholesterol management efforts with a simple, systematic approach; for best results, experts urge providers to broaden cholesterol-lowering efforts; senior CHF patients grow accustomed to automated voice technology.

For more information, contact National Health Information at (800) 597-6900, by email at nhi@nhionline.net, or on their website at www.nhionline.net.

Disease Management News

Source: National Health Information, LLC, February 2001

In this Issue:

CorSolutions expects \$60-\$70 million in '01 revenues; Alere lands contract with California and Washington State PacifiCare units; Kaiser region plans expansion of CHF program; firm offers first independent anti-coagulation program; MAMSI pact with CareWise augments diabetes program.

For more information, contact National Health Information at (404) 607-9500 or by fax (404) 607-0095.

Environmental Health VOICES

Source: NIEHS Center for Ecogenetics and Environmental Health, Spring 2001

In this Issue:

Letter from the Director; Research Profiles: Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications of Genetic Research; When Cells Go Bad; Mercury Warning; COEP Staff; Environmental Health for Middle Schools; Videoconferences: Youth Network for Healthy Communities; Teacher Profiles; Youth Voices at Town Meeting; Community Action Profile: SPU's EJ Pass It on Project; and EH Voices Listserv Highlights.

For more information, contact National Health Information at (404) 607-9500 or by fax (404) 607-0095.

State Health Notes

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, March 12, 2001

In this Issue:

Cover Story – Medicaid expansions in the 1980s and welfare reform in 1996 served to “delink” medical assistance from cash benefits. Now, a few states are trying to further the goal by moving Medicaid from health to insurance panels.

StateSpeak – Alan Weil, a former Colorado Medicaid chief, now director of the Urban Institute's Assessing the New Federalism program, discusses how the shift in responsibility for an array of social programs is progressing

Highlights – ME governor's health agenda...National outcomes database...NC patients' bill of rights...CT suit vs. managed care plans...Physicians Medicaid fraud...Medicaid-school lunch link...SCHIP outreach...VA, AR abortion limits, NARAL survey...NJ youth smoking ad campaign...Stamping out diabetes...Changes in D.A.R.E....RADAR website.

Tracking Trends – With prisons filled to capacity, substance abuse treatment is getting more attention from state officials.

Ideas & Innovations – For former public assistance recipients, finding a job is step one. In Pittsburgh, a program focused on job retention has gains in lessening dependence on welfare.

For more information, contact NCSL at (303) 830-2200.

State Health Notes

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, March 26, 2001

In this Issue:

Cover Story – As patients swamp emergency rooms, many hospitals are going on “divert status,” sending ambulances carrying noncritical patients to other facilities. Here's a look at what three states are doing to address the crisis.

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Focus On – Birth defects are the top cause of infant deaths, but few states have monitoring and surveillance systems in place to collect data, direct families to intervention/support programs.

Highlights – MN Kids Coalition...Childhood poverty survey...School-based health centers...Childhood obesity...Soft drinks in schools...Smoking & SIDS...Nurses in the workforce, schools..."Death with Dignity" stats...12-market cost survey...ME purchasing alliance.

Tracking Trends – Last fall, states won the option of covering low-income and uninsured women for breast and cervical cancer treatment via Medicaid. An update.

Medicaid Monitor – The Faces of Medicaid paints a picture of the chronically ill and disabled, in numbers and words.

For more information, contact NCSL at (303) 830-2200.

WSMA Reports

Source: Washington State Medical Association, March 2001

In this Issue:

Newsclips – FDA proposes new form for prescription drug labeling; Pediatricians urged to target at-risk youth for HIV-testing; Happy Doctor's Day; WSM-ERF studies available to members; Gray's Anatomy online; WSMA Leadership Conference May 11 & 12; Send us your email address; Please send in your 2001 membership dues today...

CMEs – Upcoming courses

Update from Physicians Insurance – Defending against the phantom phone call

Insurance Q & As – Federal administrative standards on the horizon

Letters from the Editor – MQAC follow up

Drug Errors – In the aftermath of drug recalls: physicians, pay attention to the labels

Classifieds and Newsmakers

For more information, contact (206) 441-9762 or www.wsma.org.

Conferences

2001 WEDI National Conference

Sponsored by: Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange

April 17-19, 2001, San Diego, CA

If your healthcare business is being impacted by HIPAA and e-commerce technology, this is your opportunity to discuss strategic business issues, find practical solutions and increase your personal knowledge.

For more information, call (714) 508-4900, by fax (714) 508-4904 or by email at administrator@wedi.org.

The 4th Annual National Congress on Health Care Compliance

Sponsored by: The Health Care Compliance Association

April 22-24, 2001, Washington, DC

Continues the national dialogue on the ongoing governmental and private sector enforcement initiatives sweeping health care finance and delivery.

For more information, call (800) 546-3750 or visit their website at www.hcca-info.org.

Washington State Environmental Health Association Annual Educational Conference 2001 – 2001: An Environmental Health Odyssey

Sponsored by: Washington State Environmental Health Association

April 25-27, 2001, Yakima, Washington

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Sessions include Risk Communication with Dr. Vincent Covello and the Evaluation Forum presenting “Outcomes for Success,”

For more information, contact Barbara Andrews at (509) 249-6515, email Barbara.Andrews@co.yakima.wa.us, or www.wseha.org.

The First Annual Privacy and Data Protection Summit

Sponsored by: The Privacy Officers Association

May 2-4, 2001, Arlington, Virginia

The leading forum on confidentiality, security, regulatory requirements and technology tools.

For more information, call (800) 546-3750 or contact them by email at information@privacyassociation.org.

The Eighth International Symposium on Functional Medicine

Sponsored by: The Institute for Functional Medicine, Inc.

May 22-26, 2001, Vancouver, British Columbia

Showcases the researchers and clinicians who influence the course of medicine. This Symposium is focused on endocrine disturbances of aging and will be a balance between basic science and the clinical implications of these topics.

For more information, call (800) 228-0622 or visit their website at www.fxmed.com.

Governor’s Interagency Committee of State Employed Women 2001 Biennial Training Conference

Sponsored by: The Interagency Committee of State Employed Women

June 4-6, 2001, Yakima, WA

This conference provides a forum in which working women at all levels can explore imaginative ideas and adopt innovative techniques to help them rise to new levels of responsibility, recognition, and reward.

For more information, contact Karen Dunn at (360) 956-2096 or visit their website at www.wa.gov/icsew.

Washington Behavioral Healthcare Conference

Sponsored by: The Washington Community Mental Health Council

June 6-8, 2001, Yakima, WA

For more information, call (206) 464-7965 or visit their website at www.wcmhcnet.org.

Combined Summer Institute with a Focus on Educating: Autism, Blind/Visually Impaired, Deaf/hard of Hearing, Significant Disabilities

Sponsored by: Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

July 9-13, 2001, Yakima, WA

This year’s Combined summer Institute has been designed to allow you to participate in several ways, either focusing on a specific content area or selecting from an assortment of electives.

For more information, call (800) 228-0622 or visit their website at contact Gail Omdal at (360) 416-3414.